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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2004. Claims 1-13 are pending. The Specification and Claims 1-13 have been amended and claim 14 is new. Accordingly, claims 1-14 remain pending in the present application.

Applicant amended the specification to clarify the present invention and to conform the specification to the requirements set forth by the rules. No new matter has been submitted. Similarly, claims 1-13 were amended to clarify the present invention and to track the amendments to the specification. No new matter has been submitted. Applicant views these amendments as broadening or cosmetic, and as such, are not subject to the prosecution history estoppel imposed by Festo. Because the amendments to the Specification and to the claims are extensive, Applicant has enclosed a clean version of the Specification and Claims.

In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the Abstract and to claims 1-13. In addition, claims 1-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph, as being indefinite and as failing to define the invention. The Examiner indicated that claims 1-13 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under section 112.

In this response, Applicant has amended the Abstract to conform with the rules, and has amended claims 1-13 to comply with the requirements under the second paragraph of section 112. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-13 are allowable. Claim 14 depends from claim 11, and therefore Applicant respectfully submits that it too is allowable.

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In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that claims 1-14 are allowable. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and passage to issue of claims 1-14 as now presented.

Applicants' attorney believes this application in condition for allowance. Should any unresolved issues remain, Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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